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### APPLICATION FOR REISSUE OF:

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Utility Patent



Design Patent



Plant Patent

### APPLICATION ELEMENTS (37 CFR 1.173)

1. ☒ Fee Transmittal Form (PTO/SB/56)  
(Submit an original, and a duplicate for fee processing)
2. ☐ Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27.
3. ☒ Specification and Claims in double column copy of patent  
format (amended, if appropriate)
4. ☒ Drawing(s) (proposed amendments, if appropriate)
5. ☐ Reissue Oath/Declaration (original or copy)  
(37 C.F.R. § 1.175) (PTO/SB/51 or 52)
6. ☐ Power of Attorney
7. Original U.S. Patent currently assigned? ☒ Yes ☐ No  
(If Yes, check applicable box(es))
  - ☐ Written Consent of all Assignees (PTO/SB/53)
  - ☐ 37 C.F.R. § 3.73(b) Statement  
(PTO/SB/96)
8. ☐ CD-ROM or CD-R in duplicate, Computer Program (Appendix)  
or large table
9. Nucleotide and/or Amino Acid Sequence Submission  
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### ACCOMPANYING APPLICATION PARTS

10. ☒ Statement of status and support for all changes  
to the claims. See 37 CFR 1.173 (c).
11. ☐ Original U.S. Patent for surrender
  - ☐ Ribbioned Original Patent Grant
  - ☐ Statement of Loss (PTO/SB/55)
12. ☐ Foreign Priority Claim (35 U.S.C. 119)  
(if applicable)
13. ☐ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)/PTO-1449 ☐ Copies of IDS  
Citations
14. ☐ English Translation of Reissue Oath/Declaration  
(if applicable)
15. ☐ Preliminary Amendment
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Claims as Filed - Part 1								
Claims in Patent		Number Filed in Reissue Application	(3) Number Extra	Small Entity		Other than a Small Entity		
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(A) 31	Total Claims (37 CFR 1.16(i))	(B) 47	**** 16 =	x \$ _____ =	or	x \$ 18 =	288.00	
(C) 4	Independent claims (37 CFR 1.16(i))	(D) 8	* 4 =	x \$ _____ =		x \$ 40 =	160.00	
Basic Fee (37 CFR 1.16(h))						\$ 710	\$ 710.00	
Total Filing Fee					\$	OR	\$ 1,158.00	
Claims as Amended - Part 2								
	(1) Claims Remaining After Amendment		(2) Highest Number Previously Paid For	(3) Extra Claims Present	Small Entity		Other than a Small Entity	
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 ) Examiner:  
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STATEMENT PURSUANT TO 37 CFR 1.173 (c)

Hon. Director of the Patent  
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SIR:

A. Status of the Claims

Presently original claims 1-31 and new claims 32-47 are pending. No claim has been canceled.

B. Support in the Disclosure for Claim Amendments

The disclosure describes the container recited to in the claims at least at column 2, lines 7-20 and at column 3, line 59 through column 4, line 16. The container is shown in figures 1 and 2.

The use of the container is disclosed at column 2 line 50 through column 3 line 33 and column 5 lines 31 through 58. Drawing figures 4a-4f show a method of use.

Respectfully Submitted,  
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